

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1: (cancelled)

1 Claim 2 (currently amended): The guitar as claimed in claim [[1]] wherein said
2 formation recess is a molded insert piece inserted in said guitar

1 Claim 3 (currently amended): A guitar as claimed in claim [[1]] wherein said formation
2 recess defines is a hole through said side edge and adjacent back portion.

1 Claim 4 (currently amended): A guitar as claimed in claim 2 wherein said molded ~~insert~~
2 ~~is shaped~~ piece is cup-shaped to conform to a specific breast size of an intended user
3 of said guitar.

1 Claim 5 (currently amended): A method of making a guitar comprising the steps of
2 providing an opening through ~~a side and adjacent the~~ back portion of a guitar adjacent
3 its upper edge when held in playing position, forming a breast-accommodating insert,
4 and mounting said insert in said opening in position to receive the breast of player when
5 the guitar is held in playing position.

1 Claim 6 (original): The method as claimed in claim 5 wherein said step of forming said
2 breast-accommodating insert includes shaping said insert to fit the breast of a female
3 instrumentalist.

1 Claim 7 (new): In a guitar having a back and side surfaces, the improvement comprising
2 a recess for receiving the breast of a player when the guitar held against the chest, said
3 recess being located in said back surface adjacent the upper side surface when the
4 guitar is held in playing position.